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MARGINAL COLUMN

By MEIR MINDLIN

TORRENTS of ink, or at least kilometres of typewriter ribbon have been expended by now in comment on the Kastner-Greenwald case, and if we are to add our tiny bucketful to the stream of print we should like to confine ourselves to the broader issues. There seem to us to be two principal questions involved, one the great historical problem of the destruction of European Jewry, and the other the lesser, but nevertheless important one of the freedom to libel. It is unfortunate that the two become inextricably intertwined in this particular case, and what is worse, resulted in a somewhat confusing diversity of judicial opinion — a confusion which, in turn, reflects the extreme complexity of the recent past it dealt with, a past which could hardly be properly examined and evaluated in a courtroom.

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THE diversity of the judicial opinions despite their fundamental agreement (if we except the Halevi judgment), is sufficient indication of the nature of the problem, which is an historical, not a judicial one. It is hard enough to unravel the complex tangle of motives and pressures at work in an individual accused of a specific offence clearly formulated in law. To work out the exact relation of an actor in a vast historical tragedy to the infinitely more complex web of events, plots and counter-plots, desperate hopes and seething terrors of which that tragedy is made up — in short, to reconstruct the atmosphere, the *reality* of Hungary in 1944 — is no task for a court of law. Even the reconstructions of the greatest historians present one possibility among many, and, as new facts turn up, as passions are cooled by the passage of time, as the point of view is changed, one historical reconstruction may replace another. Defence and prosecuting attorneys are interested (as they should be) in the acquittal or culpability of their respective clients, and choose and marshal their facts accordingly — a procedure far removed indeed from the avowed aims of impartial scholarship. If truth is the object, then there is no other way of approaching even so horrible and so recent a catastrophe as the Nazi holocaust. Those who lost their kin and suffered themselves want their revenge and their scapegoat, others may have other motives, and the way in which the slaughter was carried out, with almost no resistance, is an aching wound in the national pride, but if truth is the object, there is no alternative to dispassionate research, in the libraries, from the mouths of surviving eyewitnesses, but not in a courtroom.

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HOWEVER, the whole case started as a libel action, and it would have called for exceptional restraint and originality on the part of the courts to have refused to deal with a specific charge well within their purlieu, that nevertheless led to researches and investigations outside their competence. It is much to be regretted that the libel action was tied to the explosive and perhaps insoluble questions of the holocaust. For one would have liked a proper check to be put on the looseness with which the most extreme accusations are often publicized. High as the standards of the Israel press may be in many respects, the affiliation of most of the newspapers and periodicals to a political party does not always result in the sort of thorough, impartial reporting and coverage one would like to see. This leaves most of the muck-racking, the digging up of unpleasant and inconvenient facts, in the hands of the extreme yellow press, or in those of psychopaths.

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THERE seems to be a sizeable part of the population in every country that is convinced that government (any government really) is habitually run by conspiracy, that three-quarters of what goes on, as with an iceberg, is beneath the surface. The sensation-mongering press and individuals feed this sort of detective-story mentality; the responsible press could perhaps steal their thunder if it were more independent and enterprising.

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ON the other hand, the utopian expectations (both Zionist and socialist) on which the last two generations have been raised or educated result in counsels of perfection not to be demanded of any human society, and the disappointment of impossible hopes often fosters cynicism, and the lending of a credulous (and titillated) ear to the faintest hint of the rattle or click of a skeleton in anyone's closet. The development of a sharper sense of reality, of a keener awareness of the inevitable limitations of democratic government (its probity guaranteed by a watchful and responsible press) would be a desirable step to political maturity.

Jerusalem, January 20.

Cypriots Spend Island's 'Last Quiet Weekend'

NICOSIA, Sunday (Reuter). — The Governor of Cyprus, Sir Hugh Foot, who returned yesterday from consultations in London, spent today quietly with his family on a picnic in the northern mountains.

Many Cypriots fear this week-end might be the last quiet one on the island for some time. These fears were touched off by three recent declarations by Dighenis, EOKA terrorist chief.

Security chief were reported to have met last night to examine possible future moves here by Greeks and Turks.

Some observers believe that unless a British statement expected during the week produces a really dramatic decision by the Government — which few here think likely — the chances of a prolonged EOKA truce are slim.

Turks Prepared

As for the Turks, there are many in Cyprus who openly state that the Turkish community is "absolutely prepared" to support whatever directives are given by Turkey on their demand for partition.

Turkey's attitude in the past fornight, expressed most forcefully in statements by politicians and newspaper commentators, has tremendously impressed and cheered the Turkish Cypriot community.

'A Steadying Influence'

NASSAU, Bahamas, Sunday (Reuter). — A British frigate anchored discreetly off an isolated bay on New Providence Island last night and landed technicians to man the power stations of this strike-bound resort.

The Government Press Officer, Mr. J.F.R. Hill, said in a statement, "The frigate is not here for security reasons. She is in a position to supply technicians, if necessary, for the maintenance of essential services."

In London tonight, the Admiralty spokesman said the frigate had been sent to Nassau because the "Governor felt she might provide a steadying influence there."

Indians on Warpath Rout K.K.K. Rally

MAXTON, North Carolina, Sunday (Reuter). — A thousand Red Indians with shotguns and rifles broke up a Ku Klux Klan rally near Maxton last night.

The raid had gone for half an hour before police arrived. Four persons were wounded. Police said they seized hundreds of rifles and shotguns.

It was the first time in their history of terrorism and lynching that the anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Indian Klansmen had been scattered by a group they tried to intimidate. A week of Klan activity, threatening an Indian family who moved into a "white" area, culminated last night in a Klan demonstration against the Indians.

URRUTIA: MAY RETURN SOON

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — "I may yet have to return to continue dealing with various Armistice problems," Dr. Francesco Urrutia said today before leaving for New York, aboard an El Al plane.

The U.N. Secretary-General's Special Representative for the Mount Scopus negotiations added that a mission could never actually be said to be completed, but that the main thing was "to see the goals clearly and to have faith in their realization."

Dr. Urrutia was leaving to report to the Secretary-General.

He refused to comment on his visits to Mount Scopus beyond what was stated in the official agreement between the two sides. He said that he would convey his personal impressions to the Secretary-General.

Dr. Urrutia denied that there were any secret clauses to the agreement, emphasizing that "there are no secret clauses in agreements reached within the framework of the U.N."

Dr. Urrutia reached Lydda Airport in a special U.N. Dakota plane from the Jordan airfield at Kalandia, where he arrived following his visit to Mount Scopus this morning. *(Ilem)*

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Cabinet Votes IL1,166m. Budget, Alters Allocations

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet yesterday approved a draft budget in the amount of IL1,166m. for the 1958/59 fiscal year. This includes both the ordinary and development budgets.

It is understood that the approval was by a majority vote.

Details of the budget were not made public yesterday. This will not be done until the measure is tabled in the Knesset, which is expected to take place this week.

Although the overall amount approved yesterday represents only a slight increase over the IL1,160m. originally submitted by the Finance Ministry it is understood that a number of important changes were made by the Cabinet following pressure by various Ministers.

Labour Exchange Bill

The Cabinet yesterday also approved in principle the draft law nationalizing labour exchanges. The final touches are to be put to the bill this week, and it is expected that it will be tabled in the Knesset next week.

The official communique stated :

The Cabinet at its weekly session yesterday heard reports from the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister on the conversations they had held with Dr. Francisco Urrutia, the personal representative of the U.N. Secretary-General, with regard to Mount Scopus;

Approved a reply to the letter from the U.S.S.R. Government of December 12, 1957, and

Approved a draft budget for 1958/59 amounting to IL1,166m., and a draft law on the organization of employment which grants a national status to labour exchanges.

Cabinet Approves Reply to Bulganin

The Cabinet yesterday approved the text of the reply to be sent by the Prime Minister to the letter from Marshal Bulganin received on December 13. The Soviet Prime Minister had presented most members of the United Nations with proposals to ease world tension.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, called on Mr. Ben-Gurion yesterday to show him a copy of President Eisenhower's recent reply to a letter he had received from Mr. Bulganin proposing a summit conference.

Mr. Ben-Gurion and the Ambassador spent an hour-and-a-quarter discussing the notes.

Histadrut Condemns Engineers' Threat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Histadrut Central Committee today condemned the Engineering Union's call for a warning strike in support of its wage demands. The decision by the Central Committee was taken without opposition, the Mapam members abstaining and the Oved Hazioni representative abstaining on one resolution.

The Central Committee demanded that the engineers cancel their decision to stage protest meetings during work hours, (or warning strikes) which, it said, were "not in the Histadrut spirit."

In another vote today the Central Committee supported the proposals of Mr. Simha Blass, head of the Histadrut Professional Workers' Department for adjustments to engineers' salary scales and called on the Professional Workers and Trade Union sections of the Histadrut to get these proposals accepted.

Slim Chance Seen For Tito's Summit

BELGRADE, Sunday (Reuter). — Foreign diplomats here doubted today whether President Tito would succeed with a reported plan for a "summit conference of certain "non-committed" countries to urge West and East to negotiate to end world tension.

The diplomats believed the plan would be still-born, despite vigorous activity by Yugoslav officials.

Usually reliable sources said yesterday that Marshal Tito had contacted several countries in an effort to arrange a special conference of government leaders of about eight countries, including Egypt, Yugoslavia, India, Indonesia and Burma.

The main purpose of the meeting would be to try to express the interest of neutral non-bloc nations in efforts to reduce tension and to call on the great powers for negotiations and the renunciation of force.

Belgrade sources said the idea had been approved by President Sukarno of Indonesia and that Abdul Nasser would also be in favour. But it was doubted whether Mr. Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, would consider that such a meeting now would serve a useful purpose.

It was believed President Tito would not proceed without Mr. Nehru's support.

Today Mr. Nehru declared in Gaumati, India, today, Mr. Nehru declared: "India will not budge an inch from her international policy of non-alignment and her internal policy of socialism' under any threat or pressure from any quarter.

Mr. Nehru, speaking on a resolution on the economic situation at the annual session of the ruling Congress Party said. "I want to tell the whole world that India will not change her policy under any threat or pressure, or temptation of aid."

Syrians Make 3 Attacks On Lake Fishermen

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — Fishermen were last night fired on three times by Syrian soldiers while sailing in the northeastern waters of Lake Kinneret. No one was hurt.

A group of some 20 fishing boats assembled in a small area and this apparently made the Syrians nervous. They opened rifle and machinegun fire at 6 p.m. The boats withdrew further from the shore but the Syrians resumed firing at 7 p.m. and again one hour later.

The fishermen called for help from a nearby police patrol boat. Under its cover, they returned here, leaving behind five valuable sets of nets.

This evening, several U.N. observers, accompanied by the Israel representative to the Mixed Armistice Commission, set out for the scene to investigate the incident and retrieve the nets. They were turned back by a storm, however, and will try again tomorrow, weather permitting.

Shepherd Wounded Near Syrian Border

An Israel shepherd was lightly wounded yesterday when fire was opened on four men grazing their flocks inside Israel territory near the Syrian border in the Hula region, the Army spokesman announced.

GAZA MARAUDERS BEATEN OFF

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Marauders were active in the region between here and the Gaza Strip last night. Two separate groups attempting to steal cattle from Moshav Mellilot and Shuva were spotted and driven off by village watchmen.

A lively exchange of fire, lasting about 10 minutes, ensued when one band attempted to steal a cow from Mellilot. The raiders were forced to retire, leaving the animal behind. No one was hurt.

Meanwhile, a similar incident occurred at Shuva A where a band of infiltrators attempted to make off with a horse. When watchmen opened fire the raiders left the animal and escaped in the direction of nearby Shuva B. There, other guards, who had been alerted, fired on the marauders as soon as they approached.

Both bands, each believed to number between four and six men, escaped empty-handed.

Police later followed their tracks to the border.

French Seize Weapons From Yugoslav Vessel

Arms Said for Algerian Rebels

ORAN, Sunday (Reuter).—French warships intercepted the Yugoslav freighter Slovenia off the Algerian coast last night, and ordered it into Oran where 150 tons of arms were unloaded today, naval authorities announced.

According to a report from Belgrade, the latest radio message from the Slovenia said it was on its way to Casablanca, Morocco, its original destination, after being released by the French. No further details were known. Yugoslav sources said a strong protest to France would be delivered on the grounds that the vessel was on its way to a Moroccan port.

French sources said the arms aboard the ship were destined for the Algerian FLN rebel organization, and were to have been unloaded at Casablanca to be sent to Algeria through a liaison agent of the FLN.

The arms included rocket and Bangalore torpedoes which were presumed to be for use against the electrified fence the French Army has built in eastern Algeria to prevent reinforcements reaching the insurgents from Tunisian territory.

No Phone Calls

Meanwhile, no private telephone calls for Tunis were being accepted by the Algiers exchange from today, and subscribers were told the line was reserved for official calls. No reason was given.

In Tunis, an FLN spokesman said that an International Red Cross delegate has contacted the organization regarding the four French soldiers captured by Algerian insurgents over a week ago. The French allege that the soldiers were taken into Tunisia, while the Tunisians claim they had never left Algeria.

The spokesman said the Red Cross delegate, M. Jean Preux, would be allowed to see the men, who, he added, were in good health. He would not say where the men were.

Premier Gaillard is expected to make a statement on the French-Tunisian crisis early in the foreign policy debate which opens in the National Assembly on Tuesday. The French Ambassador to Tunis, M. Georges Gorse, has made a detailed report to Premier Gaillard and Foreign Minister Pineau.

In Sidi bel Abbes, today, three European women were killed and eight persons, among them a child of five, were seriously wounded, when a time bomb went off in front of a cafe in the centre of the town.

Syria, Yugoslavia Back Indonesia

President Shukri el Kuwatli last night announced Syria's full support of Indonesia in her struggle against Holland for sovereignty over Dutch New Guinea.

Speaking at a banquet given in honour of the visiting Indonesian President, Dr. Ahmed Sukarno, Kuwatly said, "We are proud to see your and our arms working together against the forces of evil and imperialism."

President Sukarno began talks with Kuwatly in Damascus, following his arrival from Belgrade where he had spent two days conferring with President Tito.

Arms from Tito

A joint communique released in Belgrade disclosed that Yugoslavia will sell "certain military equipment" to Indonesia. Dr. Sukarno and Marshal Tito at the same time called for an international agreement on disarmament and an end to the "senseless armaments race."

They reached the conclusion that countries not belonging to any of the existing power blocs could contribute considerably to the strengthening of peace. The communique said Indonesia's claim to Dutch New Guinea received Marshal Tito's support. *(Damascus Radio, UP)*

Nasser Cool To Syrian Federation

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Abdul Nasser has given a cool reception to the Syrian demand for the immediate establishment of a federation between the two countries, according to a despatch from Cairo in today's "New York Times."

Arab diplomatic sources in Cairo say that Nasser has not rejected the Syrian proposal outright, but has told the Syrian delegation now in Egypt that the time is not ripe for the establishment of such a federation.

Jordan Soldier Gets Death for Spying

AMMAN, Sunday (Reuter).— A military court at Zerka today sentenced to death a 25-year-old army corporal, Tewfik Farhan, found guilty of spying for Israel.

Three other soldiers, charged with the same offence, received sentences of from 10 to 15 years' hard labour.

Czech Arms Smuggled Into Lebanon

Czech arms are being continuously smuggled into the Lebanon and are being stored in secret caches along the coast, the Arab News Agency reported from Beirut yesterday.

It quoted Abdul Aziz Shihad, the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, as saying that these arms, most of them automatic weapons, are for use by subversive elements for sabotage purposes.

Heavy damage was caused on Saturday to buildings in the township of Antlias, 10 kms. north of Beirut on the road to Tripoli, by saboteurs who set off dynamite charges. There were no casualties.

ANA reported from Damascus that a Saudi citizen, Hamdan Salem Shahid, has been arrested on suspicion of heading a ring forging U.S. currency and operating between Amman, Damascus and Beirut. He admitted to having placed in circulation $2,000, while another $7,000 in forged bills were found in his possession. He was stated to have confessed that his headquarters are in Karachi and that forged money is being distributed throughout the Middle East.

W. Germany Centre For Mid-East Arms

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — There are indications that West Germany is being used by international dealers as a convenient base for distributing arms to trouble areas in the Middle East and North Africa, the "Sunday Times" correspondent reported from Bonn today.

He said that a Government measure to tighten the control, sale and purchase of armaments by persons living in West Germany will be presented to the Chamber of Deputies shortly.

Among the deals which are suspected to have been made by a Hamburg small arms dealer is one involving the sale to Saudi Arabia of 200 Finnish machineguns as well as 100 German Army rifles and 125,000 rounds of ammunition.

Heavy Quake In South America

PIERMONT, New York, Sunday (UP). — A "very severe" two-wave earthquake possibly centred in Colombia Ecuador or the Gallapagos Islands, was recorded today by Columbia University's Lamont Geological Observatory.

RUSSIAN DEPUTIES TOURING PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Sunday (UP). — A 10-amn delegation from the Supreme Soviet arrived today for a two-week tour of Pakistan.

Spain Fails to Seize Communist Contact

MADRID, Sunday (Reuter). — Spanish authorities who have arrested 44 alleged Communists failed to capture "El Faustino" (The Lucky One), elusive liaison man with Communist centres abroad, police said today.

"El Faustino" is believed to be a former Anarchist who has been travelling between France and Spain. He was assistant to the leading Barcelona Anarchist, Durrutti, who was shot dead during the civil war by his own side after they thought he had defected.

The authorities had for months been watching the alleged ring's headquarters, a luxury flat above one of Madrid's most popular restaurants. Most of the arrests announced yesterday were made just before Christmas. Some of the men had attended last summer's Moscow Youth Festival.

The visit to Moscow last year was apparently well prepared, police said. Those invited left the country on the pretext of spending a holiday in Paris. Once there, an organizing group gave them new passports. On their return to Paris they picked up their old passports which carried no evidence of their visits to Russia.

3 Heads of Mission Leaving Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The heads of the Russian, Italian and Swiss diplomatic missions in Israel are due to leave for new assignments before the end of the month. The names of their successors have been forwarded to the Government for approval.

The Swiss Minister, M. Felix Schnyder, was given a reception yesterday on the eve of his departure, by the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir. M. Schnyder, who presented his letters of credence here on June 4, 1957, has been assigned to head his country's group of observers at the U.N. (Switzerland is not a member of the U.N.) He is due to leave this week.

The Italian Ambassador, Benedetto Capomazza, Marquis di Campolattaro, will be leaving within a fortnight to become his country's Ambassador to Sweden. He presented his credentials as Minister in December 1953, and as Ambassador in January, 1956.

Mr. Alexander Abramov, the Soviet Ambassador, will also be leaving within a fortnight. His forthcoming departure was announced in the press last week. His successor has been approved and will probably arrive shortly after Mr. Abramov's departure.

HILLARY SAYS FUCHS WILL CARRY ON

THE SOUTH POLE, Sunday (Reuter). — Sir Edmund Hillary said here today he believed Dr. Vivian Fuchs would carry on his trans-Arctic trek this season and had no doubt his vehicles would get through to Mcmurdo Sound.

(Dr. Fuchs is due here at midnight Israel time tonight.)

The New Zealand expedition leader, who flew here from Scott base earlier today, said the main question still remaining was whether Dr. Fuchs would reach Scott Base before the New Zealand naval vessel Endeavour was forced by the oncoming of winter to leave the Antarctic.

Last night, Sir Edmund flew about 30 metres over the camp where Dr. Fuchs and his party were camped for the night only 48 miles from the Pole.

Zhukov to Work On Military Research

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — Marshal Georgi Zhukov, ousted Defence Minister, has been seen again in Moscow and reliable sources indicated today that he would be getting a post suitable to his military background.

They said that Marshal Zhukov will spend much of his time compiling memoirs and carrying out research on military science. It was said that he has been on a three-month vacation, after which the Government was to determine a suitable assignment for him. The vacation apparently is over.

Meanwhile, the sources said that all the deposed former members of the Presidium, including former Premier Georgi Malenkov, have been seen in Moscow recently. Former Minister Dmitri Shepilov, who lost his alternae Presiduim post at the same time, was reported to be holding a permanent job with the Institute of Economics of the Soviet Academy of Science in Moscow.

Former Deputy Premier Lazar Kaganovich has been in Moscow to attend the last two sessions of the Supreme Soviet, while Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov makes frequent trips from his ambassadorial post in Ulan Bater, Mongolia, and still maintains an apartment here.

Chou En-lai To Egypt and Yemen

The Chinese Premier, Mr. Chou En-lai, has accepted an invitation to visit Egypt and the Yemen in the spring Cairo Radio re-ported yesterday. The Chinese Ambassador announced this after conferring with Abdul Nasser, the radio said.

The Cairo daily "Al Ahram" has reported that China had offered the Yemen loans totalling 70m. Swiss frs. (about £6m.), for development projects, following Crown Prince Mohamed Badr's recent visit to Peking.

Radioactive Child Infects Home

PUTTEN, Holland, Sunday (Reuter). — Police are on guard in this Dutch village because a four-year-old girl treated with radium became so radioactive she had "infected" her house and garden.

The entire family, the parents and five children, have been isolated in hospital. The child, Joke Haanschoten, was taken to hospital with a nose complaint and treated with radium. During the treatment the head of the needle containing radium broke off unnoticed and remained stuck in her nose.

Joke returned home and went back to her kindergarten for one day. Later she was sick, and her parents cleared up the vomit, believed to contain the remains of the broken needle, and burned it in the kitchen stove. The ash from the stove was dumped in the garden.

As soon as the broken needle was missed at the hospital investigations were made which showed that the stove and part of the garden were "seriously radioactive." The kindergarten, which has 80 pupils, has been temporarily closed and medical officers will check each child.

Joke was taken to her home yesterday by police and medical officers but returned last night to the Utrecht hospital where she is "under observation." Later, the Health Ministry said that "slight radioactivity" has been found on the shoe of one of the persons who visited the family at home.

It was announced later that checks of the persons who had been called for medical examination did not yield any results.

A Health Ministry spokesman said it was not completely out of the question that the house would be demolished "if the investigation shows it to be completely radioactive."

U.S. Stops IMG Grant to Israel

WASHINGTON, Sunday (INA).—The special appropriation made last year for the use of Israel pounds for scientific, educational and cultural grants to Israel, "will not recur" this year, it has been made clear in the budget for the new fiscal year.

The Informational Media Guarantee programme was recently placed in suspension for Israel and was reviewed by the State Department and the U.S. Information Agency, with the result that the new budget contains a commitment that the appropriation will not recur in the new fiscal year.

The IMG made it possible for Israel to import American books and periodicals for Israel pounds. The American exporters were paid in dollars by the U.S. Treasury and the accumulated pounds remained in Israel credited to the U.S.

The U.S. agreed to give the pounds to Israel for purposes "in the international interest" of the U.S., and it was decided that this money should be used for "educational, scientific, and cultural activities."

Mr. Bernard Katzen, who was designated by Secretary of State Dulles to recommend distribution of the money, drew Congressional criticism on the grounds that as a Republican Party political personage he sought political advantage through distribution of the money. The State Department and the USIA suspended the programme to study the matter. The reference found in the new budget is the first official publication of their conclusion.

US Starting Development Loans

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter).—The U.S. is about to make its first Development Fund loans to underdeveloped nations in Asia and other areas.

Authoritative sources disclosed today that loan applications totalling $1,000m. have been received from Europe, Asia and Latin America. This is more than three times as much as Congress has appropriated for the first year's operations.

The fund's Loan Committee is expected to announce soon how it has acted on requests from Turkey, Greece, Spain, Formosa, Korea, India, Pakistan, and several unspecified Latin American countries.

Congress created the Development Loan Fund last year and appropriated $300m. for its operations in the current fiscal year. In his budget to Congress, President Eisenhower asked for $625m. as new funds in the 1959 fiscal years.

Interest Rate

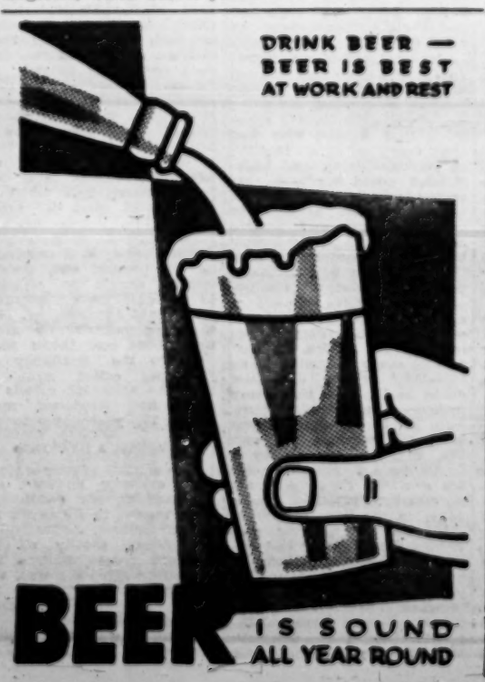
The Fund announced officially yesterday that its interest rate on loans to develop non-profit making projects would be three-and-a-half per cent. On profit making enterprises the rate would be between five-and-a-half per cent, and five-and-three-quarter per cent — similar to the Export-Import Bank charges.

The non-profit interest rate disappointed many quarters here.

Soviet bloc loans to underdeveloped nations have generally carried interest of between and two-and-a-half per cent, and the Administration which has officially warned Congress about the growing Soviet economic offensive, did think about lowering its own interest rate.

The proposal was rejected chiefly because of the relatively high price the Treasury has to pay for money with which to finance the Fund and other assistance programmes.

Another authoritative explanation was that the attractiveness of low cost Soviet loans was largely exaggerated. It was pointed out that Soviet loans were usually tied in with a commitment that the under-developed nation must buy Soviet goods and equipment much more expensive than comparable American products and often of very poor quality. Thus the cost of a Soviet loan was much more than the interest rate alone.



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Social & Personal

President Izhak Ben-Zvi yesterday received Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Vice-President of the Bond Organization, and Mr. Abraham Keller, its Controller.

Last night the Finance Minister and Mrs. Eshkol were hosts at a reception in honour of Dr. Schwartz and Mr. Keller. The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, entertained Dr. Schwartz to lunch. On Saturday, Dr. Schwartz lunched at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Sharett in Jerusalem.

A dinner in honour of the Italian Ambassador, Mr. Benedetto Capomazza, Marquis di Campolattaro, who is about to end his tour of duty in Israel, was given last week by the Israel-Italy Friendship League at the Ramat Aviv Hotel. Among the guests were Mr. Josef Sprinzak, the Knesset Speaker, M.K.'s and other public figures.

A reception was given on Friday for Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sensibar by Mr. A. Granott, Chairman of the Directors of the J.N.F., and Mrs. Granott, at their home in Jerusalem.

Prof. and Mrs. Norman Bentwich were entertained to lunch yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Kol, Head of the Youth Aliyah Department of the Jewish Agency.

Messrs. Shalom P. Doron and Yeshayahu Braude, both of Jerusalem, have been reappointed Chairman and Honorary Treasurer respectively of the Israel Board of the Jerusalem Home for Maladjusted Children run by B'nai B'rith Women of America.

A Mozart evening in aid of the Ilanshil society will be held by the Israel-Austria Society, Haifa, under the patronage of the Austrian Minister, Dr. K. Enderl, at the Maccabi Hall, at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow. The Polishuk quartet and Frank Pelleg will play.

The first concert in the recently completed George and Florence Wise Auditorium on the Hebrew University campus will take place at 8 p.m. tonight when the University Orchestra of teachers and students conducted by Noam Sheriff, will perform works by Vivaldi (Concerto Grosso in D), Bach (Concerto for Violin and Ororchestra), Grieg (two lyrical pieces for strings) and Mozart (Symphony No. 29 in A). Invitations are obtainable at Hillel House. Return transport will be available.

Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Blum wish to inform their friends that they have moved from 23 Rehov Ben Yehuda to Pygmalion House, 33 King George Avenue, Jerusalem. The Studio remains at the former address — Talitha Kumi Building, 16 King George Avenue.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Avigdor and Shifra Nebenzahl, Jerusalem, wish to express their cordial thanks and those of their parents for the kindness shown to them on the occasion of their wedding.

Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli:**— Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Exhibitions:**—
Permanent Exhibition of Antiquities. Recent finds: marble Statue of Nemesis. Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1, 3-5.
Exhibition of recent paintings by Galya Pillin-Tarmu. Artists' House. 10-1; 4-6.
Oil paintings, gouaches by Efraim Modzelevich. Also sculptures, mosaics, Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Ave., 10-1, 3-6.

• **Lectures:**—
"The Tenth Anniversary Exhibition," by Y. Rol, Director of the Exhibition. Beeri Club, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 8.30.
"Education for mental hygiene," Dr. N. Nardi, Beit Ha'am, 7.15 p.m., with film, auspices Municipal Education Dept.

• **Film shows:**—
Israel films daily 11.30. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Concert:**—
Hebrew University Orchestra, Cond. Noam Sheriff; Vivaldi, Bach, Grieg, Mozart, Weiss Auditorium, Hebrew University Campus, 8 p.m., free tickets for tourists at Gov. Tourist Office.

• **Play reading:**—
"The Silver Chord," in English, Beit Hillel, 4 Balfour, 8.30 p.m.

• **Tours:**—
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• **Jazz Club:**—
Jam Session, Z.O.A. House, 8.30.

• **Theatre:**—
Habimah, "Throw Him To The Dogs," 8.
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Habimah, "The Egg," 8.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
January 20, 1958

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Criminal Appeal

The Judgment of the President and Justice Silberg in the Kastner Case.

Justice Silberg

The Supreme Court, Justice Silberg said, had been confronted during the whole of the long and intricate case by the dilemma of either not seeing the wood for the trees or not seeing the trees for the wood. As good fortune would have it, however, their task had been made the easier by the fact that they had, as it were, sat in judgment on the judgment of the District Court and not on the accused and had, therefore, not been called upon to plough untilled soil. That they could — and were obliged to — rely upon the factual findings established by Judge Halevi on the basis of admissible evidence, was indubitable, but when it came to the inferences drawn from these findings, they could not but reassess and re-examine them lest they had been the fruits of exaggerated and invalid thought-processes—as claimed by the Attorney-General.

The duty of the court, he continued, is to judge Greenwald's words in the clear light of Kastner's deeds. To do less would be to fail in their duty, but to do more would be to usurp the functions of the historian who may still one day in the future, and with the assistance of a much greater wealth of material, tear aside the veil shrouding the apocalyptic chapter of the Hungarian holocaust.

In considering the evidence before them, Justice Silberg said, the court had had to eradicate all preconceived ideas shaped, perhaps, by the storm of polemics which had raged in the local and world press over so much publicised a case. But, at the same time, they had had to guard equally against erring to the other extreme and eliminating all human feelings for fear of allowing any subjectivity to creep in. In addition, they had had to beware of adopting the role of advocates and introducing questions and doubts which had never been broached by the parties themselves, and in so doing plunge into a veritable morass of theories and guesswork which have no place in legal procedure.

Common Meaning of Collaborator

After these preliminary remarks Justice Silberg turned his attention to Judge Halevi's judgment and discussed, firstly, the significance of the "fatal" phrase that Kastner had "sold his soul to the devil" which, he said, was the key-point to the other conclusions in the judgment. He concluded that Judge Halevi had not intended to imply that Kastner had deliberately and wilfully sold his soul to the Nazis—as argued by the Attorney-General — but that, as Mr. Tamir had pointed out, he had sought to convey the impression that Kastner, by accepting Krumey's "gift" of the notables' train, had thereby enslaved himself to the will of his Nazi masters and become their unwilling, if conscious tool which was also a very serious accusation.

He then considered another preliminary question: the objective meaning of the term of abuse — "collaborator" — which Mr. Tamir had sought to define in accordance with the Nazis and Nazi Collaborators Law. He could not accept this definition, he said, since the matter before the court was not a criminal charge against Kastner for a contravention of that law, but a libel case against Greenwald who had used the odious expression in describing Kastner. The question was, therefore, what meaning the general public in Israel ascribed to this word.

After due consideration of this question, he concluded that a "collaborator" in the ordinary, everyday sense is a person who knowingly helped the Nazis to carry out acts whose preconceived purpose was to cause or facilitate the extermination of the Jews, whether or not that dastardly purpose were accomplished, and whether or not this aid were a condition *sine qua non* for the successful outcome of that purpose. In other words, the accent was on the "*mens*" of the collaborator rather than on the "*actus*," so that unless anyone who had negotiated with the Nazis had done so from the purest and most innocent of motives he would be permanently marked with an ineradicable moral, as distinct from criminal, stain.

Justice Silberg then discussed the division of the libel into sections, and after concluding that Judge Halevi had been perfectly correct in separating the allegation of "collaboration" from that of "indirectly murdering, or paving the way to the murder of, Hungarian Jewry," he turned to the main body of the case, considering firstly the question of Kastner's standing.

There is no doubt, he said, that during the period with which the case was concerned, Kastner was the central and most active figure in the Rescue Committee, standing way above the others as regards ability, energy, courage and daring. Whether he had attained his leading position in the Committee by general consent or whether he had been self-crowned made no difference whatsoever to the fact that he, and no other, had been personally responsible, both morally and legally, for the negotiations with the Nazis — which responsibility it must be said to his credit he had never denied.

Turning next to the most controversial issue in the whole case — whether Kastner had sacrificed the many in order to save the few — Justice Silberg went step by step through the events leading up to the mass deportation of the Hungarian Jews from the provinces, analysing the Nazi leaders' motives in negotiating with Kastner and the Rescue Committee and concluding that, although determined to carry out their "sacred duty" of exterminating the Jews the Nazis had not wished to do so at the expense of their own men, who were very precious at the time in view of the heavy calls on man-power due to the necessity of maintaining the war on several fronts — and that in order to save the expenditure of lives and effort (German, of course) they wished to avoid sporadic outbursts of revolt and resistance — "another Warsaw."

Keeping the Nazis' Deadly Secret

The most effective way of doing this was by keeping the ultimate destination of the Jews — the crematoria and gas-chambers of Auschwitz — a secret, and by deluding them into thinking they were being sent to labour camps. In this, Kastner played into their hands. He failed to warn the people of the provinces, and particularly of his home-town Cluj, of the eventual destination of the deportation trains — a fact of which he, himself, was well aware — and so give them the opportunity of resisting or escaping over the border before being rounded up. As a result they went to their slaughter unsuspectingly and unresistingly.

He did not wish to infer, said Justice Silberg, that Kastner was the only one of the leaders who had known of the destination of the transports and had not warned the people. It might very well be that there were others—whose consciences smote them sorely over their failure to reveal this fact. But the issue in the present case was whether Kastner had known and kept silent, and the fact that others might have been equally guilty did not add to or derogate from Kastner's guilt.

As to what had moved Kastner to hold his peace with such fatal consequences, no one would go so far as to assert or even entertain the perverse and barbaric thought that he had wished to lend his assistance to Eichmann in exterminating the Jews of the provinces. His real reason was his anxiety for, and loyalty to, the plan for rescuing the "notables." Justice Silberg rejected, without any hesitation, the suggestion that the reason for Kastner's silence was his fear of sabotaging the plan for saving all, or most of, Hungarian Jewry. He explained that at the time when Kastner visited Cluj the "Europe Plan" was a dead letter and the fantastic "Blood for Goods" scheme with which Brandt was sent to Istanbul had not yet been conceived.

As to the Attorney-General's theme-song — that if Kastner had not acted as he did the "notables" would have been slaughtered together with the whole people since, unlike the Polish Jews, the Hungarian Jews as a whole had been assimilated, indifferent, complacent and mentally and spiritually unfit to cast off the yoke of slavery, in addition to not having had the physical means of so doing — this was not borne out by the evidence of witnesses from Cluj and Nodvorod, who had testified that tens of thousands could have saved their lives by escaping, and by that of Kastner himself that the Nazis had feared the effects of revolt and resistance.

Cluj Community

Furthermore, the Attorney-General's description of Hungarian Jewry could hardly be applied to the Jews of Cluj who were born and bred in an atmosphere of national Jewish tradition. And, in any case, even if Kastner had been convinced that there was no hope for the Jews of Hungary, was it permissible for him to have despaired in the name of all the 800,000 Jews and prevented them from attempting to save themselves individually — by local revolt and resistance, by escaping, hiding, falsifying passports, paying ransom and bribes, etc.?

And as to the further argument that a man who had been described as an idealist, as self-sacrificing and high-minded, could hardly be expected to have done what the respondent had ascribed to him, he could, said Justice Silberg, see no contradiction between this description and the allegations against Kastner. For an "idealist" is someone who devotes himself to a public cause and does not confine his activities to his own private affairs. In that respect every politician is an "idealist," which does not mean in the least that every politician is morally pure. And as to Kastner's being ready to sacrifice his own life, that is not always a virtue, for a person who holds his own life cheap does not necessarily attach greater value to the lives of others.

He had reached the conclusion that Kastner had collaborated with the Nazis by not warning the people of the provinces of the danger awaiting them, Justice Silberg continued, on the basis of the presumption that whatever may be the accepted rule with regard to the weight of proof required in establishing the plea of truth in a criminal libel case, in a case such as the present, where a citizen of Israel accused a fellow-citizen of having collaborated with the Nazis in facilitating the destruction of his own people, the allegations must be proved beyond all reasonable doubt. This the respondent had succeeded in doing.

Judging From a Distance

In reaching this conclusion, Justice Silberg said, he had been troubled no end by the warning of Hillel, hinted at by the Attorney-General, against judging others until you find yourself in the same position, and had indeed wondered if it were right for those sitting safely in the comfortable confines of Jerusalem to judge the actions of persons who had worked in such inhuman and superhuman conditions. He had, however, answered his own doubts with the reassurance that, while it was very possible that the whole matter should never have been brought up before those who were so far from those tragic events, once it had been brought up — and who better than the Attorney-General knew who was responsible for that — it was their duty to reveal what was in their hearts and not justify conduct which appeared morally unacceptable, just because it was that of a man who had lived through these tragic events.

Justice Silberg then considered the "Austrian transports" and concluded that not only was Kastner not responsible for them, but that he did not even mistakenly think he was responsible for them, despite his having taken the credit for them in his testimony before the District Court.

Parachutists' Secret

Turning next to the question of the parachutists, Justice Silberg said that, in his opinion, no court of law could ever succeed in deciphering the secret of Palgi's arrest by the Nazis. And as to Goldstein's self-sacrifice, was it not possible that this young man, who was prepared to sacrifice himself willingly on the altar of his people's safety, had not needed Kastner's inducement and pressure in order to walk into the lion's den in exchange for the lives of the 1,700, including his aged parents.

As regards Hanna Senesh, Justice Silberg said, Kastner had obviously not lifted a finger to help her. But the court was not sitting in judgment on Kastner's general moral standards. It was called upon to decide, specifically, whether he had collaborated with the Germans. The reason for his failure to help Hanna did not necessarily lie in his desire to help the Germans, nor in his fear of her reactions to his conduct. For only now do the people of Israel know who this young woman was and to what supernatural heights her moral courage had soared. Kastner could not have known at the time that she would not break down under torture and reveal to the Gestapo that he was the man to whom she had been sent. It would appear, therefore, to have been in his interest to have contacted her and given her guidance as to how to deceive her interrogators should the occasion arise. And he had even not done this!

In short, therefore, despite the suspicions which might be entertained against Kastner, one could not ascribe his conduct towards the parachutists as arising from his desire to collaborate with the Germans.

Absurd Allegation

While he found that the allegation of collaboration with the Nazis had been proved beyond all reasonable doubt, Justice Silberg said, he thought that the second allegation — indirectly causing the murder, or preparing the ground for the murder, of Hungarian Jewry — was not only untrue, but completely absurd. The innuendo behind this allegation was that if not for Kastner and his activities, the Hungarian Jews, or at least most of them, would have been alive today — and that was patently ridiculous. It was Krumey, Eichmann, Becher and their henchmen who had wiped out the Jews of Hungary, and not the Jew, Kastner, who had merely served as a tool in their hands.

Nor could the respondent rely on the argument that this allegation was merely incidental to the main one of collaboration. For, while it is true that the rule, as established in a series of English judgments, is that when the accused in a libel case raises the plea of truth he need prove only the truth of the real barb in his libel and not all the side and incidental details connected therewith, in the present case the allegation of "indirect murder" could hardly be regarded as a secondary one.

In conclusion, Justice Silberg considered the charge that Kastner had saved Kurt Becher and found it to be true. This was a dark and mysterious act indeed, he said, and one that cast its shadow behind it, contributing retrospectively to the conclusion that Kastner had collaborated with the Nazis.

President's Judgment Refuting Silberg

In concurring with Justice Agranat, the president devoted his judgment mainly to refuting Justice Silberg's conclusions, and said that if they were to presume that Judge Halevi's factual findings could not be reversed and that, in fact, Kastner had known of the real situation in Hungary and the impending fate of its Jews and had withheld this knowledge from the victims themselves (although he agreed with Justice Agranat that there had not been sufficient evidence for this finding), this did not mean that the Supreme Court was bound to accept the conclusions which Judge Halevi had based on these facts.

The five judges of the Supreme Court, he continued, were at least as competent to draw conclusions and inferences as one judge of the lower court. And on the basis of these same findings two different conclusions could be drawn: that Kastner's motives had been to safeguard the Nazis' agreement to the train of the "notables," and secondly, that his motives had been to ensure the safety of as many of the Jews of Hungary as possible.

It was not only within the competence of the Supreme Court in such a case, but it was its duty, to examine both these conclusions from the point of view of probability. If the court should decide that both were equally plausible then it would be in duty bound to apply the principle that the version most advantageous to the accused should be chosen. Since, in this case, the question at stake is whether Kastner collaborated with the Nazis, the accused is Kastner and not the respondent, therefore the version most advantageous to Kastner should be chosen.

It must be remembered, the president continued, that Judge Halevi's conclusions were based on Kastner's report, on the very bad impression which Kastner made on him in the witness box and on the testimony of witnesses to the effect that they had not known when they boarded the trains to Auschwitz that they were going to the extermination camps and that if they had known they would not have boarded them — an opinion expressed more than 12 years after the event.

It must also be remembered that events that happened then must not be judged in the light of today, when many of the hopes entertained by Kastner and Brandt appear silly and naive, but in the atmosphere of the times when they occurred. And, in addition, it must not be forgotten that the duty of the court is not to give Kastner a good conduct certificate, but to examine whether the respondent had in fact proved his allegation that Kastner had indirectly caused the murder of the Jews of Hungary through his collaboration with the Nazis, and nothing more.

Judge Halevi Criticized

The president then criticized the way the case had been handled in the lower court. In many instances, he said, the ordinary rudiments of procedure had been completely ignored; irrelevant evidence had been admitted, endless cross-examinations on insignificant details had been allowed, hearsay evidence had been permitted to a grossly exaggerated extent and the judge himself had taken an exaggerated part in cross-examination proceedings.

He agreed with Justice Agranat that, in a case such as the present one, greater weight should be attached to the evidence contained in documents written at the time, or immediately after, the events had taken place than to the testimony of witnesses called upon to give the minutest details of what had happened more than 10 years previously.

Kastner's Evidence

This applied equally to Kastner's evidence, he said. For in reaching his conclusions with regard to Kastner's negative motives, Judge Halevi had drawn mostly on the former's report, written immediately after the war, and on his testimony before the court, and the impression gained from reading his judgment was that Judge Halevi had relied on the report when the facts contained therein could be construed to Kastner's disadvantage, but when they were to his advantage, he had dismissed them as being untrue because they contained slight departures from Kastner's testimony on the witness stand.

Turning next to the question of Becher, the president said that he could not agree with Justice Silberg that Kastner's assistance to Becher in 1947 threw a retrospective light on his (Kastner's) activities during the crucial period of the deportations. For no one denied that Kastner was a very able and astute man. How was it possible, therefore, that he did not foresee that, by going to Becher's assistance, he would attract unwelcome attention to his own activities as the head of the Rescue Committee. And as to the insinuation that Kastner's intervention was a sop to keep Becher quiet, the fact is, the president continued, that Kastner's activities were known to many others besides Becher — others for whom Kastner did not testify and others to whose disadvantage Kastner testified and yet not one had quoted the acts of Kastner in defence of his own deeds.

Could not some other interpretations be placed on Kastner's conduct, the president asked. For example, could it not be that Kastner distinguished Becher from the other Nazis as being merely a grasper of Jewish money but not a drawer of Jewish blood and felt that he owed him a debt for the "favours" he had done him, particularly in the last period when he had gone from concentration camp to concentration camp in order to prevent the annihilation of the Jews still detained there.

Benefit of Doubt

Kastner might have felt so obliged to Becher as to lose his sense of proportion to the extent of neglecting to take account of the fact that to the Jews of Hungary Becher was a Nazi criminal. And should not Kastner at least be given the benefit of the doubt on the principle of giving preference to the theory which is more advantageous to the accused?

In conclusion, the president held that the question before the court was not whether they approved of the methods employed by Kastner, but whether Kastner's treason had been proved beyond all reasonable doubt. He disagreed with Justice Silberg that the allegation of the respondent could be divided into two counts.

If the allegation that Kastner had indirectly contributed to the murder of the Hungarian Jews was unfounded — and Justice Silberg had unhesitatingly concurred in this — then how could it be held that he had "knowingly carried out the will of the Nazis and concealed from their victims the fact of their impending murder"? Would this not be rewarded, if only from a moral point of view — and it was just from a moral view that Justice Silberg had considered Kastner's deeds — as being an indirect accessory to the fact of murder? It was clear to him, the president said, that any attempt to separate the two allegations would be artificial and unpractical. Therefore, anyone who felt that the second part of the allegation has not been proved, must feel the same towards the first part.

(To be concluded)

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: My Man Godfrey.
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TEL OR: Tradita.
EDISON: At Gunpoint.
STUDIO: The Seven Year Itch.

TEL AVIV

ALLENBY: Esther Costello.
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MOGRABI: The Deep Blue Sea.
OPHIR: The Last Time I Saw Paris.
ORION: Sissi.
PEER: Wedding Party. Mats.: Anchors Aweigh.
SHDEROTH: Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison.
TAMAR: The Forty-First.
TCHELET: Ihr Leibhusar.
TEL AVIV: Oh For a Man.
YARON: Fedra.
ZAMIR: Paris Canaille.
ZAFON: A King in New York.

HAIFA

GAL OR: Bonnes A Tuer. Mats.: Toughest Man In Arizona.
ORION: Man of A Thousand Faces. Mats.: Seven Cities of Gold.
ATZMON: No Time For Flowers.
MORIAH: The Opposite Sex.
PEER: Hollywood Or Bust.
ARMON: The Forty-First.
EN DOR: The Story of Robin Hood.
ORLY: Anastasia.
AMPHITHEATRE: A Haiful of Rain.
ORAH: Scandale a Milano.
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M.A.L.

TOUR. — An Egyptian Government delegation led by the Minister of Industry, Aziz Sidky, arrived yesterday in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 & 7.58 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00, 11.00 p.m.
English: 1.45 p.m. **French:** 2.00 p.m.

6.30 Service. 6.37 Callisthenics. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 8.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. Lunchtime Music — with Les Compagnons de la Chanson. 12.30 Woman's Corner. 12.45 Israel Songs. 1.00 Military Bands. 2.15 Close Down.

4.30 News Summary in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 "Oberon" Overture (Weber). 5.15 Children's Corner. 5.30 Youth Corner. 6.00 "We Present Tonight." 6.05 Popular Songs & Tunes. 6.30 Dr. Nadav Halevi on "Economic Trends in the World." 6.45 "Ron Ami." 7.15 Popular Concert: Intermezzo in B-flat-major from "Rosamunde" (Schubert); Two Romances for Violin & Orchestra (Beethoven); "The Thunderstorm" (Mozart). 8.00 Israel Composers — "In Memoriam," for Viola & Orchestra (Oedoen Partos); Concerto Grosso (Paul Ben-Haim). 8.35 This Week at the Cinema. 8.55 Bible Reading: Psalms, Chaps. 33 & 34. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "Curtain Up" — "Fishermen." 10.30 "Relaxation." 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 460, 292.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 "We Present Tonight." 6.05 Songs by Moussorgsky. 6.30 Talmud Lesson by Rabbi Neria. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Mograbit. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 7.00—7.45 a.m. 2.15—3.15 and 7.30—9.45 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.45 "From the Federation" — Sam Levin. 6.50 Musical Interlude. 6.50 Economic Commentary by Cecil Hyman. 7.00 "Understanding the Bible" — by Rabbi B. Casper. 7.15 Yiddish.

Programme to the U.K.: 11.30 News. 11.45 Economic Commentary by Cecil Hyman. 11.50 Songs of Rain. Midnight: Hebrew Lesson by Judah Shuval.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Requests for Hebrew Songs. 7.00 News. 7.10 "On Drivers and Pedestrians." 7.30 Light Music. 8.00 News from the Arab World. 8.15 "I Have a Query." 8.45 Les Compagnons de la Chanson. 9.00 News. 9.10 Weekly Concert: Works by Debussy, Liszt & Rossini-Respighi. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.80, 16.84 & 24.80 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Arts Chronicle.

World Press on

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HAIFA — Armon,
January 28 and 29 at 9 p.m.
January 30, two performances at 3.30 and 9 p.m.
Tickets: Ginzsburg-Yuval Offices.
JERUSALEM, Edison,
February, 3 and 4, at 9 p.m.
February 5, two performances at 3.30 and 9 p.m.
Tickets: Cahana.
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Z.O.A. HOUSE

Musical Film Club

Tomorrow, January 21, at 7 and 9.15 p.m.

"The Barber of Seville" with Tito Gobbi

Lecturer: Ephraim Dror

Registration of members continues.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1958

"Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse"

Owing to the length of the film, the first performance will start at 7 p.m. and the second at 10 p.m.

Notices to the Public

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Tender No. M.A.Z./M. R./58/58.

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A. BARTEL,
Director of the Public Works Department

Tel Aviv Stock Market

JANUARY 19, 1958

Pop. Loan 1949/69 (IL.30)	100½
6% Comp. Loan 66/67	73½
5½% Comp. Loan	64½
5½% War Loan 54/58	95
Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. 3	97
3½% Tavei Dollar x)	85
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	90½
Def. Loan Bonds 6½% f)	98½
6½% Def. Bonds f)	97½
6½% Def. Bonds g)	100
6½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	97½
6½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	96½
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Lon.)	211
6½% Bonds 58/65 f)	101½
ditto g)	107½
Keren Hayesod	
6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	97½
ditto g)	100½
Igroth Ltd.	
6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	99½
Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/69	
Class "A" f)	98½
Class "B" g)	104½
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	140½
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	91½
A.P.B. Investment	
4½-6% Con. Deb.	75
Ord. sh. 'B' reg.	105½
Gazit ord. sh. 'B' reg.	—
Ellern's Inv. ord.	152
6-8% con. debs.	78½
Ata ord. "B" sh.	86
"Kurdaneh" ord. "B"	89
7% con. debs. 59/69	86
"Teva" ord. sh.	76
Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg.	63
Pass 4% debs. 40/64 reg.	79½
Bizur 4% debs. 56/65	79½
Nir 5% pref. sh.	86
"Inva" 5% debs.	79
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	80½
Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	80
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	76
5% debs.	1125
Afr. Pal Inv. ord. sh.	80½
Moller ord. sh. reg.	75
Pal. Brewery 8% con. debs.	112
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	58
Nesher 6% debs. "A" 55/64	82
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	122
Delek ord. sh. "C"	85
Pal. Centr. 5% reg.	100
Mekorot pref. sh.	70½
Jordan Exploration Co.	
Ord. sh. reg.	74

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Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Cloudy with light rain in north and central districts.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	60	5	13	10
Tiberias	55	11	22	17
Haifa Port	49	6	20	17
Natanya	43	10	21	18
Tel Aviv Kirya	37	9	24	18
Tel Aviv Port	36	8	24	18
Lydda Airport	43	5	24	20
Jerusalem	33	3	16	14
Beersheba	22	7	22	21
Sdom	40	10	21	21
Eilat	37	11	23	22

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

The Australian Minister to Israel, Mr. Bertram Ballard, from home leave, (by Air France).

U Tin Hlaing, Third Secretary at the Burmese Embassy in Israel, with his family, to take up his post. (by Air France).

Dr. G. Lotan, Director of the National Insurance Institute, from Austria where he negotiated a mutual national insurance agreement.

Mr. E. O. Cocke, Senior Vice-President for Sales of T.W.A., accompanied by Mrs. Cocke, for one week's visit in connection with I.A.T.A. matters.

A delegation from the Swedish Civil Aviation Board, to conclude an agreement for regular SAS flights to Israel, from Stockholm, (by T.W.A.).

The pianist Susanne Singer, from Buenos Aires, to perform under the auspices of the World Jewish Congress and the Argentine Embassy in Israel.

Fifteen players and four escorts of the Viennese soccer team, Wacker, from the Far East, to play Tel Aviv Hapoel in Jaffa today (by Air France).

DEPARTURES

Prof. Giorgio La Pira, the former Mayor of Florence, after a week's visit, for Rome, (by Alitalia).

Rabbi Y. Y. Rabinowitz, the admor from Biale, with his wife, son and secretary, for London to attend the wedding of his eldest son, (by El Al).

A NEW 500-pruta stamp commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Maccabiah Games is available to the general public from this morning.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

The Struggle for Independence

January 20, 1948

The U.N. Palestine Partition Commission is reported to have reached a mutual understanding that an international military force is needed to enforce the partition decision.

Eight Jews were killed and 11 others wounded in two attacks by Arab gangs on Yehiam settlement in Western Galilee.

Ben-Zvi Plants First Tree in Adulam

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday planted the first tree in the Jewish National Fund's afforestation project in the Adulam Region. They were accompanied by Mr. Yosef Weitz, of the J.N.F. Directorate.

IL10m. Aid To Arabs Approved

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday approved the allocation of IL10m. over a period of four years for dispossessed Arabs in Israel, the Committee's spokesman declared in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Committee also began its debate of the proposed income tax relief bill which is due to go into effect from April.

(Aid to Arabs—Page 4, Col. 3)

Montor Named To Japhet Bank Board

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. Henry Montor, former Chairman of the Israel Bond Drive in the U.S. and prominent Wall Street broker, is to join the Board of Directors of the Jacob Japhet Bank, it was learned here today.

Mr. Montor, who has put $200,000 in the bank, is a member of a foreign investors group which recently acquired majority control and has increased its capital to IL1m. and $1m. Other members of the group are Mr. David Dunsky, the dress manufacturer, and Mr. Sam Dubiner, owner of the Cargal Company.

Mazer Named To Top U.J.A. Post

NEW YORK, Sunday. — The United Jewish Appeal has appointed Mr. Joseph M. Mazer, of New York, Chairman of the U.J.A.'s $100m. Rescue Fund, and Mr. Adolph Kiesler, of Denver, Chairman of the U.J.A.'s National Campaign Committee.

Mr. Maurice W. Berinstein, U.J.A. General Chairman, announced the appointments.

Mr. Mazer, who was co-Chairman of the 1957 Emergency Rescue Fund, has been a member of the U.J.A. National Campaign Cabinet for many years and is also Deputy Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. Treasurer of the Hudson Pulp and Paper Co. of New York, Mr. Mazer helped establish the Israel-American Paper Mills Ltd. at Hadera.

J'lem Answers Controller's Report, Lists Improvements

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Only one-quarter of the recent State Controller's Report on the Jerusalem Municipality deals with the tenure of office of the present administration, Mayor Gershon Agron and his three vice-mayors said yesterday in Jerusalem. It was pointed out that the present administration had inherited much of the mismanagement of previous ones.

For example it was faced with a deficit in the water department which it cut from IL838,000 in 1955-56, to IL 87,000 in 1956-57. Mayor Agron noted that the city had submitted a series of explanatory remarks to the Controller before publication of the Report, pointing out those faults which had already been corrected. For some reason these preliminary remarks had not been given as an annex to the Report. The Municipality was at present working out detailed answers to the criticisms.

The Mayor noted that there was a good possibility that income during the present fiscal year would meet the estimates. At present, actual income trailed 11.8 per cent behind estimates, but this figure would be cut considerably when the national institutions and the government made good outstanding payments. Collection of rates was only six per cent behind estimates, he said.

25% Appealed Rates

Mayor Agron noted that 25 per cent of Jerusalemites had requested a reduction or exemption from rates due to a variety of reasons.

It was pointed out that the Municipality's payroll was far smaller in proportion to the size of the city than either Haifa's or Tel Aviv's. The overall increase in the number of employees was due to four factors: many vacant posts had been filled; some employees had been transferred directly to the payroll while formerly they drew their salaries indirectly; temporary workers had been made permanent; and stepped up services necessitate more personnel.

Mayor Agron noted that today there was no delay in answering letters from householders.

Vice-Mayor Mordecai Ish-Shalom said that building violations were being held down to an absolute minimum.

Speaking of the sewerage system in the capital, Vice-Mayor Rahamim Kalantar said that more than 90 houses had been connected to the main lines in the past nine months. The reason for overflowing cesspits was that many householders refused to pay for emptying them. Formerly, the Development Authority paid the entire sum demanded, but the new law provided that the Authority pay half and the householder half.

The Report was the subject of a lengthy debate at yesterday evening's meeting of the Municipal Council.

Mr. A. Axelrod (Herut) complained that the State Controller's Office was at fault for "finding a fault" and then bringing it to the attention of the Municipality seven years later. Immediate complaints could lead to immediate action, he said.

Mr. Y. Nenner (Progressive) suggested that the State Controller's Office should be just as accountable for its actions as any other public body. Its reports should be made at specified times and not years after the events to which they referred had occurred.

J'lem Swimming Pool Opposed by Orthodox

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first of an anticipated series of orthodox demonstrations against the building of a swimming pool in the German Colony, Jerusalem, took place yesterday evening.

About 150 men and boys, apparently all members or sympathizers of Natorei Karta, the ultra-orthodox group, paraded through downtown Jerusalem. They distributed leaflets saying that "Zionists, who have taken over the city, have joined hands with money-mad persons" to build the pool.

The demonstrators, who marched on the pavements, were trailed by police vans until they dispersed peacefully.

(The cornerstone of the pool is to be laid tomorrow.)

Orgil Hotel Sold For IL300,000

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Orgil Hotel in Jerusalem has been bought by Mr. Haim Schiff the owner of the President Hotel, acting in conjunction with a group of French investors. The purchase price was IL300,000, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

The new owners intend to build a restaurant and a bar and install telephones in all rooms. They are also considering changing the name of the establishment to the Grand Hotel.

The Government has promised a loan of IL50,000 for renovations, it is stated.

Transfer of Jerusalem Factory Protested

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and the Mayor of Jerusalem yesterday appealed to Mr. Isaac Wolfson, the British businessman, not to transfer his projected gramophone and recording equipment plant from the capital, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Wolfson had announced two months ago while on a visit to Israel that he would invest £1m. in a gramophone plant in Jerusalem. The enterprise would employ about 1,000 workers.

It was learned last week that Mr. Wolfson's representatives in Israel had begun investigating the possibility of putting up the plant in the coastal plain.

Mr. H.M. Eliachar, President of the Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce, yesterday applied to the Ministers of Finance and Commerce and Industry, as well as to the Mayor of Jerusalem, to intervene with Mr. Wolfson.

Matza, Olive Wood Plants for Safad

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD, Sunday. — A modern matzot making plant that will work the year round is to be established here. The owners, the Gross brothers, are investing IL200,000 in the plant, whose construction will begin next month.

It will employ 60 men with an additional 20 in the season. The Gross brothers are veteran matza bakers of the third generation, whose former plant closed down last year.

A plant for the manufacture of olive wood articles opened here last week. The plant was established by the Hameshakem organization in partnership with the municipality and Labour Council in an industrial hall put up by the municipality.

It employs a dozen old or infirm workers under the management of Mr. W. Loebel, a well-known local olive wood craftsman.

Two Missing Children Found in Ramle Area

Jerusalem Post Bureau

REHOVOT, Sunday. — Police search parties have found two children who were reported to be missing in the area over the weekend.

Forty police were out till midnight and again from early this morning searching for Batya Hadad, of Ramle. The five-year-old girl was found at noon in a hut in a ma'bara on the opposite side of town. A woman had taken her in during the night when she found her wandering outside, apparently lost.

In Rehovot, four-year-old Yitzhak Cohen of Bitzaron disappeared this morning from his grandmother's home, while his mother was out at work. He was found at the beach in Holon, 10 kilometres from his home.

83-Year-Old Badly Hurt by Bus

RAMLE, Sunday. — Ezra Yehoshua, aged 83, from the Nahlat Yehuda Ma'bara, was seriously injured by a bus while crossing the Beit Dagon-Rishon leZion road on Friday. He was taken to the Assaf Harofe Hospital.

The bus driver, Menahem Rikovsky, was detained for questioning.

On the same day, Musa Yaish, 40, of Moshav Safariya, was hit by a tender driven by R. Aharonowitz, of Beit Dagon, on the Ramle road. He was also taken to Assaf Harofe. *(Itim)*

Draft-Aged Youth Allowed to Emigrate

The High Court of Justice yesterday ordered the Conscription Division of the Ministry of Defence to permit Haim Aseig, an 18-year-old immigrant from Morocco, to return to his country of origin.

The Court took into consideration the fact that although the appellant had passed the draft age, he was below 18 when he applied to the Ministry of Defence for permission to leave the country. The Ministry should have approved his request at the time, the Court noted. *(Itim)*

Police Seek Egyptian Pamphlets, Find None

NAZARETH, Sunday. — Police searches were carried out today in Tur'an village, in Lower Galilee, following reports that one of the sons of the Hussein family there was in possession of political literature published in Egypt.

No such literature was found, but two members of the Hussein family were detained for further questioning.

MINERS. — Five miners have died from injuries received when a coal dust explosion rocked a gallery 600 metres deep in a coal mine near Lyon, France.

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Tel Aviv Gives Circus Go-Ahead

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Squatters evicted from the Ezra Quarter camped outside the Municipal Council chambers in Sderot Keren Kayemet here this evening as the City Fathers heatedly debated whether the Italian circus, Ormando, should be permitted to set up its "big top" in Kikar Malkei Yisrael.

A court order had been issued some time ago evicting the squatters, former ma'barot dwellers who were misled by contractors into setting up their homes on others' plots.

Late this evening, they still squatted near the entrance to the Council chambers, while sympathetic policemen talked to them.

Inside the building, the Mayor told the Council that the city could not allow "unbridled chaos in building, and must stop the spread of slum areas."

Four opposition councillors, led by Mr. Y. Levi (Mapai) opposed the finance committee's recommendation that the Italian circus be given a permit. Mr. Levi impassionedly demanded: "Do we need it? It can only harm the Hebrew theatre."

Councillor M. Goldstein (Progressives) defending the circus, said the circus would bring the city IL300,000.

The Labour factions asked for a recess for consultations. Afterwards, Mr. M. Schechter, in the name of the majority of the opposition, promised their support "so long as the admission prices are reasonable."

The Mayor satisfied the opposition on this point and went on to allay fears with regard to Sabbath observance, pointing out that one of the managers is an orthodox Jew.

Two More Ships To Be Retired

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — The 9,000 ton, 38-year-old freighter Avraham Graetz, owned by the Zim company, will soon be withdrawn from active service. She is due to sail for Greece to pick up a circus which is to perform in Israel this year and will then be laid up in the Port here until a customer is found for her.

The passenger ship s.s. Aliya, of 1913 vintage, is due for retirement in April, after the return of the s.s. Jerusalem and Theodor Herzl from an Italian shipyard, where they are being fitted out with air-conditioning.

Wage Cut Call Ignored by Eshed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The agenda of the Eshed management meeting at Pardes Hanna tonight did not include discussion on lowering the basic pay of the cooperative's members, the Egged spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* tonight.

Eshed did not intend to cut or even discuss the reduction of its members' wages, at present. These were raised from IL133 to IL175, over Histadrut objection, following which the Secretary-General of the Histadrut, Mr. P. Lavon, announced that the Labour Federation had broken off its relations with the cooperative.

A new Eshed management was elected last week, but its members are the same as the previous ones.

Meanwhile, the cooperative has expressed its resentment that none of its members was invited to the opening of the new road to Eilat. The cooperative's spokesman pointed out that it had kept the bus service to Eilat running non-stop for nine years, and two of its drivers were killed in ambushes on the road.

The cooperative has introduced 48-seat "Royal Tiger" buses for the daily Eilat run to replace the 37-place GMC vehicles. Eshed would increase its service if the demand warranted this, the spokesman added.

Kibbutz Member Wins Pass to Wales Games

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A free trip to Cardiff for the return Israel-Wales football game on February 5 was won by a member of Kibbutz Netzer, Mr. David Melz. His name was drawn today in a lottery-contest held by Sportoto, the local football pool.

Mr. Melz was one of 61 persons who correctly guessed the final score of last Wednesday's Wales - Israel game. Some 2,900 entries were received.

Mr. Melz will be the guest of the Israel football team during his stay abroad. *(Itim)*

BIRTH. — Mme. Gaillard, wife of the French Premier, on Friday gave birth to a girl who was named Isabelle. The Gaillards also have a son, Philippe, aged 18 months.

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Tel. 148
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Hadad Gets 15 Extra Months for Escape Bid

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Eliyahu Hadad, the prisoner who escaped from Tel Mond jail several months ago and was recaptured in Tel Aviv 12 days later, was today sentenced to an additional 15 months imprisonment by the Relieving President of the Tel Aviv District Court, Judge M. Kennet.

Hadad pleaded guilty to escaping from prison and being in possession of a pistol.

Due to his plea of guilty, his case was separated from that of the other four prisoners who broke out of jail at the same time. The prosecution intimated that Hadad might be used as a State witness in the case against the other four.

Hadad is already serving a sentence of five years for armed robbery and an additional year for attempting to escape from Ramle prison.

He was guarded by 10 policemen and allowed to see his family in the courthouse before being returned to jail. *(Itim)*

Three Haifa Police Admit Smuggling

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Three constables of the Coastal Police today pleaded guilty before a police disciplinary court to charges of bringing smuggled goods ashore in a patrol boat from the s.s. Jerusalem in Haifa Port last month.

The court will pronounce sentence tomorrow. The offence carries a maximum sentence of two years' imprisonment.

In a drab room in the old Eastern Police Station here, the three accused, Yosef Merimowitz, Gilbert Abuharoun, and Moshe Darwish pleaded guilty to two charges of conspiracy to commit a crime in violation of the police ordinance, and of being in possession of contraband goods while on active duty. A third charge of having committed their offence while in uniform was denied by the accused and was subsequently dropped by the prosecution.

The prosecution described to the court how last month Inspector Karl Singer had observed four men coming ashore in a patrol boat carrying three suitcases which they deposited in the dressing room of the coastal police base. Two days later the suitcases were opened and the four constables were arrested.

One of the four, Edouard Moustaki, turned State's witness and revealed that for several months the group had brought smuggled goods ashore to be picked up by other men and taken out of the Port in police cars.

The prosecution called for a severe sentence, declaring that the accused, trained to prevent smuggling, had abused their positions, had caused losses to the Treasury, and had besmirched the good name of the force.

The three pleaded for clemency. One of them, Moshe Darwish, declared that he had a distinguished record of service with the Navy and had been cited by the President. None of them had any previous convictions.

Weekly Editors Told To Answer Libel Case

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Tel Aviv Magistrate Megory-Cohen today subpoenaed the editor of "D'var Hashavua," Mr. M. Ben-Elul, and the magazine's reporter, Mr. Y. Yaari, at the request of counsel for the weekly, "Haolam Hazeh," which is charging the former with libel. The respondents failed to make an appearance in court today, due to a misunderstanding as to the date of the hearings.

The editors of "Haolam Hazeh," Messrs. U. Avneri and S. Cohen, are charging "D'var Hashavua" with libel for claiming that "Haolam Hazeh" had staged the kidnapping of its own reporter Eli Tabor. At the last session of the court, counsel for the plaintiff had agreed to settle out of court if "D'var Hashavua" would retract its statement. The respondents refused the offer.

The hearings are to resume on January 30. *(Itim)*

15 ARAB residents of Nazareth who were found guilty of leaving and entering a closed area without a military permit were fined from IL3 to IL 50 yesterday by a Summary Military Court sitting in Nazareth.

Business Diary Law Translations

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IL50,000 Damage In Tel Aviv Fire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A fire that broke out last night in the Volovelsky Artisans' Centre was extinguished only at noon today. Damage is estimated at IL50,000.

The conflagration destroyed the carpentry shop of Messrs. Knoblich, Shmulevitz and Cohen and two-thirds of the Kaplan Timber stores. Other workshops nearby were slightly damaged. All were insured.

The firemen were called to the scene at seven o'clock last night. Five Tel Aviv fire engines and one from Holon were needed to put out the blaze.

The cause of the outbreak has not yet been determined.

Last month, the Artisans' Association of the Volovelsky Centre told the press that they wanted to demolish the outdated workshops in the centre and put up more modern premises.

Six Cinema Passes Left as Legacy

The management of the Eden cinema, Jerusalem, has been ordered by the Jerusalem District Court to grant six free tickets for each of its performances during the next five years to the heirs of the late Albert L. Floyd, of the U.S., who leased the cinema to its present owners 13 years ago.

The Relieving President of the Court, Judge Henry M. Baker, ruled that a provision for the granting of the free tickets to Mr. Floyd in an agreement made between him and the present proprietors also applied to the three heirs who reside in the U.S., and who filed the claim. The Court granted the heirs permission to give the tickets to any persons of their choice, but forbade their sale.

The relevant clause in the agreement laid down that the six free tickets were to be for "seats near the centre of the cinema." *(Itim)*

Loses Maternity Grant, Premium Delayed

The National Insurance Institute recently rejected a claim by a moshav member for a maternity grant because the Secretariat of the moshav had delayed transfer of her paid premiums to the Institute.

Mrs. Esther Galilee, of Moshav Bureicha, claimed that the Secretariat deducted monthly premiums of IL1 from the settlement's members, and that it was no fault of hers if the money was not forwarded.

The Institute's Court of Arbitration ruled that so long as premiums were not received by the Institute, they could not be considered as paid. The resulting loss to Mrs. Galilee amounted to IL140.

Booster Shots Given To 45,000 Children

More than 45,000 children in the Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa areas have received their booster shot of Salk vaccine since the beginning of January, the Ministry of Health announced yesterday.

Seventy-seven per cent of eligible children in Haifa have received the inoculation; 68 per cent in Tel Aviv and 55.5 per cent in Jerusalem. The booster shot programme closes at the end of the month in these three areas.

The following stations are operating:

JERUSALEM: Beit Harofe, Rehov Strauss, cor. Hanevi'im; Hadassah Health Centre — Katamon Gimmel; District Health Office, Mahane Yehuda, Jaffa Road, opp. the police station.
HAIFA AREA: the following stations will be closed after today: Kiryat Amal, Kupat Holim in Southern Tira, Kiryat Binyamin, Histadrut Club, Kfar Ata, Amidar Aleph. Others, as reported earlier, remain open.
TEL AVIV: Beit Briut Strauss, 14 Rehov Balfour, Kupat Holim clinic, 4 Esther Hamalka.

POLIO. — Damages of $147,000 were awarded by an Oakland, California Court on Friday to the parents of two children who were crippled by infantile paralysis after receiving anti-polio injections. The plaintiffs, the parents of James Phipps, 4, and Anne Elizabeth Gottsdarker, 8, both of California, had sued the Cutter Laboratories for a total of $365,000, alleging negligence in the manufacture of the vaccine.

Gov't-Agency Meet On Immigration Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Government - Jewish Agency Coordination Committee is to meet at the Prime Minister's Office, Jerusalem, tonight to discuss immigration questions.

The meeting, previously scheduled over a month ago, was postponed because of the Government crisis.

Set Up T.V. in Jordan, Now at Technion

Dr. E. Duncan-Smith, U.N. Professor of Telecommunications at the Haifa Technion, has recently completed the technical arrangements for a projected television educational scheme for the Jordan Ministry of Education. The transmitter and studios are to be in Amman, and some 30 schools will be supplied with large screen television receivers for the showing of films and live programmes.

Veteran Film Producer Lasky Dead at 77

The death occurred in Hollywood last Monday of Jesse L. Lasky, veteran American film producer, at the age of 77.

Lasky, who had a varied career in which he was a newspaper reporter, a gold prospector in Alaska, and leader of the Royal Hawaiian Band in Honolulu, broke into film producing in Hollywood in 1914.

Among his best known productions were "Sergeant York," "Adventures of Mark Twain," "Rhapsody in Blue," and "The Great Caruso."

Cochin Immigrants Ask Agency To Speed Reunion of Families

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The immediate transport to Israel of over 300 Jews remaining in Cochin and "now lacking the barest means of subsistence" was called for yesterday by representatives of the Association of Cochin Immigrants.

Immigrants Urged To Try Kibbutzim

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Jewish Agency is to open a country-wide campaign to persuade new immigrants to join kibbutzim, Mr. Y. Braginsky, head of the Agency Absorption Department, told a press conference here today.

Unemployment in urban centres had been a severe hardship for many of the newcomers and in some cases had led to their emigration, Mr. Braginsky said. Collective settlements had absorbed some 4,000 immigrants during the past year but were still suffering from a critical shortage of work hands.

Moreover, some 20 per cent of the immigrants from Eastern Europe were mixed couples whose integration problems would be eased in kibbutzim, Mr. Braginsky noted.

The 12-month trial period during which an immigrant might decide to take up residence in a kibbutz would not prejudice his rights to housing if he later decided to leave, Mrs. S. Josephthal, head of the Histadrut Absorption Department, promised.

Each person would have free choice concerning his place of work, and he would be sent to learn Hebrew in an ulpan. The number of children in a family would not be taken into account when applying for admission to a settlement since the joint Histadrut-Jewish Agency Assistance Fund would give IL35 monthly to each settlement for every child after the first two in any family.

A press conference in Jerusalem was told that only two to three families a month were now being brought to Israel. This delay was termed "cruel, inhuman and unjustified."

Messrs. Yosef Hai and Mordechai Elias, Chairman and Secretary respectively of the Association, pointed out that the Cochin Jewish community was the only one in the world which had sold its private and communal property, turning over all the proceeds to the Jewish Agency to help meet the costs of immigration to Israel. Over half a million rupees in cash (more than IL180,000) were given to the Agency, the press was told.

Since 1949, some 1,700 of the total Cochin community of 2,000 have come to Israel, most of them settling in agricultural communities.

The Agency attributed the delay in bringing the remaining Cochin Jews to Israel to the high proportion of social and mentally ill cases among the remaining candidates for immigration, the Cochin spokesman said, but this meant that whole families were suffering because one of its members was a welfare case.

(Asked to comment last night, a Jewish Agency spokesman said that investigations would be completed at the end of this week to determine whether settlement arrangements could be made, so that an ill or disabled person could be supported and looked after in Israel by his family. He said some 250 Jews (50 families) were left in Cochin, of whom 37 persons were social cases.)

Warns of Bitterness

The Cochin spokesmen warned that unless the problem was solved soon, the bitterness of Cochin immigrants here would unavoidably overflow into demonstrations and strikes. They said the question might be raised at the meeting in Jerusalem tonight of the Government-Agency Coordination Committee.

Dr. Immanuel Olsvanger, "patron" of the Indian community in Israel told the press that 10,000 Jews of the "B'nai Yisrael" community in India were registered for immigration to Israel but only 80 persons a month were now being brought. He said that the community numbered 20,000 persons of whom 2,000 were already settled here.

There was not a single Jewish family in India without relatives in this country he continued. Dr. Olsvanger suggested that immigration might be speeded up by transporting Indian Jews by boat from Bombay to Eilat.

Israeli Disappears In Rio de Janeiro

RIO DE JANEIRO, Sunday (UP). — The police are searching for an Israel housewife, Mrs. Marion Irene Altar, 30, who disappeared mysteriously on Tuesday.

Mrs. Altar's husband, Herbert Otto Altar, also of Israel, said she walked out of their Copacabana apartment while he was out buying breakfast and has not been seen since. He said he knew of no reason for her disappearance. Police suspected foul play because Mrs. Altar took no personal possessions with her, even leaving her wrist-watch behind.

JETS. — Nationalist Chinese jet fighters exchanged fire with three Communist Chinese MIG jets which attacked them off the Chekiang coast, it was announced in Taipeh yesterday.

Cables in Brief

FLOOD. — Relief food supplies are being rushed to flood-ravaged Central Borneo where thousands are reported to be homeless. A report reaching Jakarta said floods in the Barito region had inundated 15,000 homes.

AILMENT.—The South African Premier, Mr. Johannes Strijdom, has been suffering from a minor heart complaint, a medical bulletin said yesterday. Mr. Strijdom has been out of active politics since an announcement on November 28 that he had influenza.

ACCORD. — Moscow Radio reported yesterday that a protocol between Russia and Bulgaria on the settlement of mutual claims in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, has been signed. The protocol provides that both nations drop their claims concerning the three republics that now are part of Russia.

HURRICANE. — An 155-k.p.h. hurricane swept Sydney without warning, yesterday uprooting houses, stopping all traffic and overturning yachts in the harbour. Swimmers escaping the city's oppressive heat at the beach helplessly watched towels, rugs and clothing whipped out to sea.

LITTLE CAESAR. — Actor Edward G. Robinson and Miss Jane Roler, a New York dress designer, were married in Arlington, Virginia, on Friday. Robinson is 64, his bride 38.

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DR. Francisco Urrutia's report to the United Nations on the Mount Scopus situation which was published yesterday may be generally described as a balanced document although many will be disappointed that one more opportunity has been lost to tackle a basic problem: the Hadassah Hospital and the Hebrew University buildings on Scopus remain shut.

A BETTER ATMOSPHERE

On the other hand certain positive elements clearly emerge from the report, the general gain being that a number of questions have been clarified in a manner which may lead to a diminution of the danger of recurring crises. One that has been most trying in the past is that created periodically by Jordan's interruption of convoys to the Scopus enclave.

In previous years Jordan's non-compliance with Article VIII of the Armistice Agreement which promised *inter alia* free access to Mount Scopus, bogged down in a morass of absurdities all attempts at progress or ordered relations. Thus there were on many occasions serious discussions on the amount of water that could be taken up to the Israel personnel on Scopus in the U.N's tanker. Calculations were actually made of the number of showers a policeman could have during his fortnight's duty on the hill. The report of Mr. Urrutia defines the whole situation in regard to convoys and supplies, thus serving to prevent such irritating quibbles in the future.

Indeed there is nothing new in the report that was not provided for in the 1948 Mount Scopus Agreement. The results of Mr. Urrutia's mission can in no sense be considered as a new agreement in place of that of a decade ago. It definitely does not replace either that document or the relevant sections of the General Armistice Agreement. What has been achieved, however, is the setting down of a series of interpretations which will, it is hoped, make the operation of the 1948 terms simpler and perhaps create a climate conducive to forward steps towards full implementation of the Armistice Agreement.

Moreover, it is now seen that it is possible to reach some understanding on issues of long standing by means of quiet talks on the spot. In fact this is the second time in the past few weeks that such a satisfactory result has been attained. The first occasion was the intervention of the U.N. Secretary-General in connection with the Scopus convoy, when he flew here to avert a grave and threatening crisis.

This being the case it is most disturbing that on the very day that the Urrutia report was published, it was learned at U.N. headquarters in New York that Jordan was pressing for the renewal of the debate in the Security Council this week on the question of the planting of trees by Israel in the former Government House area. It is even more surprising since the issue has been dormant for some time. It goes back to July of last year, and in fact since November no work on the project has been done.

There are two methods in which complaints can be dealt with. One is cool and even-tempered discussion such as has just concluded here and the other is the vociferous airing of grievances in the public forum of the United Nations, including Israel's complaints of Jordan's violations which are already on the agenda there. Since the success of the first method requires an atmosphere of calm and confidence it must necessarily be vitiated if the second method noisily obtrudes itself, as it does when the parties appear publicly at the Security Council. It would be a pity if the slightly better climate created in recent days were to be spoiled by an unnecessary Council debate at this time.

NASSER RECEIVES INDONESIAN LEADER

President Sukarno of Indonesia saluting as he is greeted at Cairo Airport by Egypt's Nasser. (Express Photo)

Indian Snub to Sukarno

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

SINGAPORE (OFNS).—THE recent meeting between President Sukarno of Indonesia and Premier Jawaharlal Nehru in New Delhi was in reality a shade less cordial than the published reports have indicated, it seems. Apparently when the United Nations General Assembly refused to discuss Indonesia's claim to Dutch New Guinea, Pr sident Sukarno communicated confidentially with the Indian Premier informing him that if The Hague did not relinquish "West Irian" Indonesia would take economic action against the Dutch, would compel Dutch subjects to leave the country, and would sever diplomatic relations with Holland.

To the chagrin of the Indonesian President, who looks up to him as the ideal Asian nationalist leader, it appears that Mr. Nehru told the Indonesian Ambassador in Delhi in reply that the Indonesian Government would make a cardinal mistake if it approached the West Irian question in this brutal fashion. Djakarta would put itself in the wrong if it abandoned the principle of peaceful settlement by negotiations and adopted aggressive methods to gain its end in such an equivocal dispute. If Indonesia went too far, she could not expect to retain the support of India or of many other countries in the Afro-Asian bloc.

President Sukarno cancelled his original tour of Western European and South American States — almost all of whose Governments voted against the Indonesian motion in the United Nations — for health reasons. But he is now making a tour of Afro-Asian countries which will be almost as arduous. It is evident this has been made urgent by the unexpected necessity to whip up sympathy for Indonesia in New Delhi and other capitals where, behind all the formal support for Djakarta, political leaders who should theoretically be applauding the West Irian campaign without reserve are, in fact, thoughtfully stroking their chins instead.

Arabs to Get Houses, Land

By GIDEON WEIGERT

THE IL10m. rehabilitation loan recommended last week by the interministerial committee appointed by the Prime Minister is designed to help solve the problem of the 20,000 Galilee Arabs separated from their villages by the War of Liberation.

Bi'ram and Ikrit, which have done most to occupy the courts and the attention of the press alike, are just two out of 25 such villages which were demolished or abandoned by the residents during the war or evacuated by the authorities when it became clear that they were being used as hide-outs by infiltrators from the north. A total of some 3,000 families have been scattered all over Galilee, with several hundred occupying rented flats in Nazareth.

One of the major obstacles in the resettlement of these displaced persons has been not so much a lack of funds as their refusal to accept compensation. Until the Sinai campaign, they were not sure that the Arab states might not take over Israel, or at least Galilee, and they did not want to handicap their chances of returning to their former homes; especially since the lands offered to them by the Government by way of compensation were largely abandoned Arab property whose owners still live across the border and might, so the DP's reasoned, return to claim it.

Now the villagers of Saffuriya, near Nazareth, have set an example by accepting alternative lands and compensation. They were led in this by their M.K., Sheikh Saleh Salim, who recently celebrated the completion of his new house just outside the Galilee capital.

Another hopeful sign is the recent announcement that 200 dunams of state domain in one of the most beautiful outlying parts of Nazareth is to become a housing estate for local displaced families. Mgr. Hakim, the Greek Catholic Archbishop of Galilee, has promised to lend a hand in the building of the first units, each of which will rise on a two-dunam plot.

Mobile Unit

Allocations under the IL10m. loan will be made according to the recommendations of a mobile unit representing the Ministries of Labour and Agriculture and the Development Authority. To save the claimants travel time and trouble, the unit will visit each village.

The housing problem appears most urgent. The families that lost their homes will be accommodated in new quarters to be built outside the more important present host villages, such as Rama and Tamra, by the Housing Division of the Ministry of Labour. This programme will cost an estimated IL7.5m. Most of the rest of the loan will be disbursed through long-term Ministry of Agriculture credits enabling farmers to acquire livestock and equipment.

This operation does not include payment of the compensation to which Arabs whose land has been taken over are entitled under the 1953 Land Acquisition Law. Experts estimate that this will call for another IL10m. This will be spent on establishing the displaced farmers on suitable new farms, with the rest of the sum due to be paid in cash.

Oranges Galore in London

Jaffas Meet Keen Competition

By GERDA L. COHEN

LONDON. — JAFFAS were being unloaded in the chaotic, raucous, icy lanes where all London's fruit is auctioned and shoved onto trucks by steaming, yelling, red-nosed porters. Jaffas — no one talks of Israel oranges — took a modest corner beside crates of Valencias from Spain, grapefruit from Trinidad, Outspan oranges from South Africa, tangerines from Cyprus. By comparison with their rivals, the Jaffa Gold looked a pale yellow.

"That's one of our problems," admitted Moshe Levin, head of the Citrus Marketing Board's London office. "We'd like to push back the season and capture more Christmas sales, but people want an orange to be orange — not yellow." Nights in Israel are too warm for the early-ripening Navels, which need a breath of cold to deepen their complexion. "We've begun to experiment with dyed fruit," revealed Mr. Levin, suavely assuring me that "colour added" must go on the wrapper. Early oranges from Florida and California have been beautified in this way.

Smaller—Dearer

Size, too, determines whether a housewife picks this or that orange. Smaller fruit command a better market, and sell at "the Garden" for around 55/- a crate, whereas the champion football variety popular in Israel fetch about 46/- a crate.

Prices for this initial shipment are running about 10/- less than last year. "We expected that," said Mr. Levin with his benevolent smile unmarred. The catastrophic frost which ruined the Spanish groves two years ago had pushed up prices to an artificial level. "Spain is our chief competitor," Mr. Levin reminded me, "because South African oranges arrive in summer."

'Squash' Publicity

All the citrus exporters, beyond their internal rivalry, face a more dangerous opponent: the "squash" manufacturer. Those trusty slogans — invoking vitamin C, sunshine, anti-flu — which used to coax custom from the sneezing British, have been appropriated by makers of synthetic fruit juice. Their posters, bursting with golden nectar, shine from hoardings in the foggy back streets. This "orangedate" is indeed bright orange, evidently being conjured from wood pulp and saccharine. English law, unlike American, doesn't insist on ingredients appearing on the label.

The big "squash" firms have spent about £1.5m. on commercial television — a medium whose importance has ballooned at a fantastic rate. "Our total publicity budget for England," noted Mr. Levin stoically, "amounts to £55,000." As everyone scrambled for a TV audience, the tariff shot up and peak viewing hours became harder to book. One minute of supper-time on the London circuit costs £1,000. Nevertheless, Israel oranges and grapefruit will soon make their debut on the "telly."

To emphasize the value of eating an orange which is obviously not synthetic, the Marketing Board has concentrated on advertising at the retail fruit dealers. About 60,000 members of their retail association get material to hang in the shop, and the Board also sends out travellers to canvass their gimmicks at the door. But British fruit dealers are obdurately conservative, clinging to their Victorian price tags chalked "fine juicy Jaffas" even if the goods happen to be puny, desiccated objects from the other side of the globe. Chain stores vary a great deal in their attitude to brand advertisement. Waltons, the main London chain of fruiterers, adopt a uniform system of tags which debar individual publicity. Marks and Spencer, on the other hand, devote a special counter to Jaffas in their multiple stores.

Does the average buyer connect Israel with these oranges? The Marketing Board tried to answer this question and others when it commissioned a market research project two years ago. Children and adults were surveyed separately. Most of the children had heard of Jaffas, but only 15 per cent had any idea of where they originated, and less than half of the comparatively well-informed 15 per cent connected Jaffa with Palestine or "Jerusalem." The grown-ups knew even less.

Although housewives evidently prefer smaller fruit, the survey showed that people think of Jaffa oranges as bigger than other kinds. According to the researchers, very few consider health when they buy an orange. But surveys conducted by other citrus importers indicated exactly the opposite: "you pay your money and you take your choice," as the statistician remarked. This might well apply to the controversy over carton versus crate, the backers of each method of packing both triumphantly quoting statistics to prove their point. The Marketing Board says that distributors don't like cartons because they cannot stand up to rough handling and bad weather. Last year, states the Board, cartons took a loss, and only a million have been ordered for this season compared with 1,700,000 last winter. Wholesalers also complain that cartons are too small — in fact, one rang up to grumble on this score while I happened to be asking Mr. Levin about it. Now the packers are experimenting with a smaller crate which could embody thinner wood, saving foreign currency, and make use of scrap instead of long planks. It is a pity that neither boxes nor tissue paper wrappers attract the customer, for with the growth of self-service, packaging has won paramount consideration.

Dazzling Variety

Vanished are the post-war days of dearth, when in 1947 the British Ministry of Food imported nine million cases from Palestine, and oranges were rationed. Nowadays, the fruit supply dazzles by its variety. In fact it amazes me that residents of this chill, dank island should trouble to eat cold fruit at all. The mere act of peeling an orange is enough to give you frostbite.

Readers' Letters

BUILDING BRIDGES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—The repeated breaching of the bridge across the Lachish river is an astonishing spectacle to behold — but the explanation is simple: a most elementary rule of engineering has been overlooked.

Bridges — as even a layman knows — are meant to allow not only traffic across them, but also the free flow of water, and, in some instances, of flotsam beneath them. Bridges across wadis which, quite naturally, happen to carry flood waters and debris in the rainy season, are in the latter category.

According to an article by Mr. J. Peter, an engineer, in the December issue of "Hahaklaut Beisrael," published by the Ministry of Agriculture, the passages beneath the Lachish and Hadera river bridges became clogged with silt and debris — these passages being nothing more than openings in pipes which carried the actual "bridges." When the floodwaters found these pipe openings clogged, they breached the earth-works adjoining the bridges; the result is well known.

Bridges that spanned these wadis, leaving enough room for the floodwaters, would not have thus acted as a dam. It would be really interesting to know who, in a country that is technically so advanced, planned these masterpieces of bridge construction.

Yours, etc.
F. HICHENBERG
Tel Aviv, January 12.

BROADCASTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In giving details of the proposed extension of broadcasting programmes about two months ago, the management of the broadcasting services did not, unfortunately, mention broadcasts for new immigrants. How does the Israel Broadcasting Service intend to help the latter become integrated into the spiritual, cultural and social life of their new homeland.

A quarter of an hour's news broadcast in simple Hebrew, together with a few Hebrew lessons a week, are not adequate for the needs of hundreds of thousands of citizens who are not yet able to enjoy the normal Hebrew programme. Surely the time has come to add features in simple Hebrew for the sake of these new immigrants.

Yours, etc.
LOTTE KRISTELLER
Tel Aviv, January 2.

Kol Yisrael Replies

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

I am not certain whether Miss Kristeller is aware that Kol Yisrael broadcasts almost four hours daily in various languages. These broadcasts include news, music and features and are designed to assist the new immigrant to become integrated into the life of Israel.

The broadcast of news in easy Hebrew is a transition stage for those new immigrants whose Hebrew is not yet advanced enough to listen to the regular Hebrew programmes and who still listen to the immigrant broadcasts. There would be little point in increasing the easy Hebrew broadcasts.

Yours, etc.
HARRY ZINDER
Director,
Israel Broadcasting Services
Jerusalem, January 15.

PEN FRIENDS

YVONNE M. TALBOT, Cheddleton Lodge, Prestwich, Manchester, England, would like to correspond with an Israeli, preferably orthodox, to learn about Israel culture.

RONALD GASCOINE, 29, 8 Tasmania Terrace, Edmonton, London N. 18, who is interested in music, cinema, art, philately, world affairs, etc., would like to learn about Israel culture.

KEEPING POSTED

"I LIVE on a windy corner in Rehavia," writes a friend known for a calm and equable temperament, "and for some months past I have made a careful study of the customs of the garbage removal men. This procedure is carried out in two stages. First, a species of vanguard comes round. They are equipped with ancient leather straps with which they lasso the helpless garbage cans and drag them out in a row on the pavement. This is necessary in our house because it is a modern building with all conveniences, including garbage chutes from the kitchens directly into re-

ceptacles at the side of the house. The cans are then left directly in front of the entrance, thus making it easy for everyone to check on the results of the neighbours' cleaning and the composition of the previous day's menus. We also have on record one case of near-heart failure when a large cat suddenly jumped out of a can at a nervous elderly gentleman. As I noted before, we live on a windy corner, and waste paper, dead flowers and similar items are winnowed out from the solid matter, to remain stuck on the surrounding fences in lively patterns. Egg-shells spin around lightly in a dance of their own composition.

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"BY now we have reached the second, or operative stage, and the Municipal truck, complete with driver and staff of three, clatters up. Standing on the rear of the truck, precariously balanced on the rubbish, is a handsome bearded man with the last bowler hat in Jerusalem, and a dramatic, victorious pose. His business is to pack down with his feet the garbage that is tossed in by his colleagues, in the manner of the grape-pressing peasants of France. The empty cans remain on the pavement, until the vanguard, now turned rearguard, comes round again, which may take up to three hours on some days. In the meantime the innocent housewife, believing that she lives in a modern building with all conveniences, including a garbage chute, is likely to go on throwing her rubbish down the chute, so that by the time the can is replaced it is put down on an accumulation of grape-fruit skins left over from the family breakfast."

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IN the United States, we understand, there are mechanical garbage disposers which chop up and flush away all domestic rubbish. But even there people complain, it seems, because the disposer makes such a racket chopping up the bottles.

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"PEOPLE get excited quite unnecessarily," said the clerk from the Income Tax office at Kfar Saba. "Other day a man comes in, practically speechless with rage, and waves a letter at me. "I refuse to pay any more," he shouted after a bit. "I've paid far too much anyway." The clerk asked him what the letter said. "I don't know and I don't care. Another IL97.365 or something. But I won't pay, put me in prison." When the clerk finally got hold of the letter he discovered that it was a refund. "See how it is," said the clerk. They just get a letter with an official address at the top, and they all get excited."

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A COLLEAGUE reports that he was sitting at his dentist's this week, with his mouth wide open. The dentist approached with drill concealed in his hand, and said, rather fiercely "I'd like to talk about an article in your paper last week about the dental practitioners." As the dentist swung into a statement of his own views of the subject, the patient already visualized himself without teeth, living on

gruel. The dentist proceeded to point out where the writer had gone wrong. The patient realized he was about to press his point home — literally — and thought he had better nod mute agreement. He was in no position to speak in any case. Finally the operation was over — and quite painless, incidentally, perhaps due to the patient's diplomacy. It was only as he was leaving that he dared admit that as a matter of fact he had never got around to reading the article in question.

Today's contributors include H. Magnes, Jerusalem and S.C., Tel Aviv.

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AT THE CINEMA

GREAT TRAVELOGUES

"BOY on a Dolphin," deservedly held over for a third week at the "Orna" (Jerusalem), strips David Divine's fine adventure story down to essentials. The sophisticated daughter of a Greek tycoon, moreover (Sophia Loren, at her best), is demoted to the status of a Hydriote she-windmiller while Alan Ladd impersonates the American archaeologist as a varsity man who took his degree in physical education. The Boy on the Dolphin, by the way, whose recovery provides the action, looks more like a Rococo Putto than a classic Greek bronze. One imagines that a self-respecting archaeologist would have thrown it back immediately.

However, the action is wholly secondary to the utterly lovely landscape photography. This film is really about the Acropolis, the Greek Isles, Epidaurus and the rock monastery of Menora; a fascinating picture book of Greece is loosely bound together by an adventure story that could have been adapted to any other country. To Israel, for instance, and our experts insist that the making of such a film, which would of course be the best kind of tourist propaganda, presupposes the participation of a famous star.

Riviera Background

Thus the second great travelogue running in Jerusalem this week, "The Monte Carlo Story" (Or Gil) uses the French Riviera as a background to acting by two actors of world fame; and the action is incomparably more sprighty and witty than in "Boy on a Dolphin." The Riviera is more or less a travel proposition for the higher age groups. The services of the screen's greatest upper-middle age lovers, Marlene Dietrich and Vittorio de Sicca, were most appropriately enrolled in the film. They are ably assisted in all their intrigues by the hilariously funny Misha Auer.

Still, we insist that thousands would have enjoyed this Riviera travelogue in its own right. This week's third travelogue, the greatest of them all, bears us out.

Masterpiece on Peru

"Impero del Sole" (Eden, Jerusalem) is another masterpiece by the Italian filmmakers who made "Continente Perduto." They have devised a new style in folklore documentary which is wholly up to the standard of Disney's nature films. Such productions are not generally considered cash propositions and Forum Films, who took the risk of importing them, deserve the thanks of all discerning cinema-goers.

"Impero del Sole" tells us about the Indians of Peru and their homeland without any connecting action. The enchantment does not break for a moment. This full-length documentary is a classic that will not date and will be considered an ageless masterpiece.

A full-length documentary of almost the same sustaining interest could be shot in this country — if the director and his team could be lured to Israel, and left strictly alone. *Th. F.M.*

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To the Summit

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Yesterday's Press

Summing Up Kastner

THE Supreme Court judgment in the Kastner appeal, writes Ha'aretz (non-party), may close the affair from the legal point of view but not from the public aspect. Almost all the judges suggested that the Attorney-General would have done well to agree to the defence proposal to set up a public commission of historic enquiry before the Court pronounced its judgment. The important question now is whether it is still possible to come by more comprehensive and varied historical material than was presented to the Judges, who had to rely upon Jewish evidence alone. If the researcher had access to Gestapo files, a good deal that is now a matter of speculation could become certainty and objective knowledge. Such a commission could find a fertile field for investigation even now that the final verdict has been pronounced in this case.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes that the judgment disposes of all serious charges against Dr. Kastner, leaving only Kastner's absolving Kurt Becher of all blame unclear. Only Kastner himself could have explained this.

Davar (Histadrut) points out that the Becher Affair does not strictly belong in the period under review, since the Nazi's case came up a couple of years after the Cluj tragedy. Now that the judgment has been handed down, the time has come to find out who and what elements started the fire on purpose with the intention of besmirching the Zionist Movement, its leaders and emissaries. Who were they who tried to divide the nation into two enemy camps, with saints on the one side and collaborationists on the other? If there was a crime in the Kastner affair, that was it, and those who committed it will be held answerable for it when the time comes.

Mapai Blamed

Haboker (General Zionist) expresses the opinion that the case is not altogether closed. Mapai provoked it by urging the institution of proceedings even while Kastner himself desnurred; and the Court did not mince words in its criticism of the party for converting the Courts into historians and imposing on them a task that was not theirs.

Herut cites two cases to support its claim that Kol Yisrael is dominated by Mapai. In its reporting of the Kastner judgment, the radio glaringly spotlighted elements that were favourable to Mapai, and slurred over unsavoury findings. Thousands of citizens have been asking why the broadcasting service still calls itself Kol Yisrael when in effect "Kol Mapai" would be more suitable.

The Israel National Opera

wishes to inform all members of the opera guild that the next meeting at the opera workshop—12 Rehov Mandelstam, Tel Aviv, will take place tomorrow, January 21, at 5 p.m.
The artistic programme will include leading singers and dancers of the opera.

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